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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Thomas P. Bell of Oak Park, who passed away on August 6, 2014; and

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WHEREAS, Tom Bell was born on May 11, 1963 in North Kansas City, Missouri; he grew up in Liberty, Missouri, where he graduated from Liberty High School; he received his bachelor's degree from the Kansas City Art Institute and subsequently moved to Chicago to work in advertising; and

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WHEREAS, After 15 years working at a variety of companies, including Enesco, the Mobium Creative Group, and Publicis/Hal Riney, he went back to school and received his Masters in Education from National Lewis University in 2008; he went on to teach art at St. Giles School in Oak Park for 6 years; and

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WHEREAS, Tom Bell is survived by his wife of 18 years, Kelly Twohig, and their 12-year-old twin sons, Sean and Seamus; his parents, Dwayne and Carol; his sister Jane Poe, and brothers, Mike (Julie) and Brandon (Melanie); he was the cherished son-in-law of Pat and Gloria Twohig; beloved brother-in-law of Brian (Ellen), Pat, Tim (Beth), Erin (Brian) Obert, and Kate Twohig (Adam Ochenschlager); the devoted uncle to Laura Poe, Jordan, Tyler, Leah, Reese and Brooklyn Bell,

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1 Maura, Molly, Colleen, Sam and Joe Twohig, Ian and Keira Obert,
2 and Gabriel and Elise Ochsenschlager; he is also survived by
3 aunts, uncles, cousins, and countless friends from Liberty,
4 Missouri who were his beloved brothers; therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL
6 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
7 Thomas P. Bell, and extend our sincere condolences to his
8 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
9 further

10 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
11 presented to the family of Thomas Bell as an expression of our
12 deepest sympathy.